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SUBJECT: GABON SETS AIR TICKET TAX AS PART OF FRENCH  
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On March 9, the Gabonese cabinet decided that Gabon would participate in France's "Financing for Development" initiative by levying a 2 euro tax on business and first class tickets for international flights originating in Gabon. Gabon was already signed up as a member of the Leading Group on Solidarity Levies.  
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